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CALLS FOR CONSERVATION OF NONFERROUS METALS;
FIND NEW ASBESTOS DEPOSITS

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ISSUES DECREE -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 26 Feb 51

Recently, the federal government, on the proposal of the chairman of the Council for Power and the Extractive Industry, issued a decree calling for the conservation of nonferrous metals and their alloys and limiting their use. According to this decree, other raw materials must be substituted for nonferrous metals and their alloys whenever possible. Nonferrous metals and their alloys may not be used for general consumption, except where this is called for by the distribution plan.

Only authorized enterprises may purchase scrap nonferrous metals and their alloys. State economic enterprises may not sell or exchange among themselves scrap nonferrous metals and their alloys.

DISCOVER ASBESTOS, GRAPHITE -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 19 Feb 51

New asbestos deposits were recently found near Petrovo Selo in Bosnia, at Bogoslovac in Macedonia, and at Rujiste, Goc, and Vrnjacka Banja in Serbia. Separators have been set up already in Bogoslovac.

Graphite deposits were found in 1950 near Topusko in the Kordun area. A second furnace is now being installed there. The graphite mined there will be sent to foundries, where it will be used in casting iron. The deposits at Topusko are sufficient to satisfy the needs of all Yugoslav foundries. Fairly large amounts of graphite have been found near Prokuplje, where preparations are being made to open a mine. The graphite mined here will be used to manufacture pencils and graphite crucibles.

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ANTIMONY PRODUCTION TO EXCEED -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 31 Jan 51

To increase the production of antimony, the smelter in the mine at Zajaci will be expanded so that the production of the end product will be increased 70 percent. A new flotation installation, which will have five times the capacity of the two old flotation installations, will be erected in Brasina on the Drina River. A 9-kilometer cableway, which will be able to transport 300 tons of ore in 16 hours, will be built between the mine at Zajaci and the flotation installation in Brasina. The equipment for the flotation installation, as well as a part of the cableway, has been ordered abroad.

COPPER MINE FULFILLS 5-YEAR PLAN -- Belgrade, Borda, 7 Feb 51

The Bor copper mine fulfilled its year plan for 1951 last year. By casting 40,000 tons of blister copper in 1950, it reached the level of production planned for 1951 one year ahead of schedule.

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